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January 17, 2014

Mr. Joe Schwartzenberger Regulatory Affairs Department NorthWestern Energy 40 East Broadway Butte, MT 59701

RE: Data requests in Docket D2013.5.33

Dear Mr. Schwartzenberger,

Enclosed please find data requests of the Montana Public Service Commission to NorthWestern Energy (NWE) numbered PSC-001 through PSC-003 in the above-referenced Docket. Please begin the response to each new numbered data request on a new page. Please provide responses by February 19, 2014. If you have any questions, please contact me at (406) 444-6191.

Sincerely,

Neil Templeton Regulatory Division Montana Public Service Commission

Service Date: January 17, 2014

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICE REGULATION BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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IN THE MATTER OF NorthWestern Energy's)	REGULATORY DIVISION
Application for Approval of Electricity Supply)	
Deferred Cost Account Balance and Projected)	DOCKET NO. D2013.5.33
Electric Supply Costs)	

DATA REQUESTS PSC-001 THROUGH PSC-003 OF THE MONTANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION TO NORTHWESTERN ENERGY

PSC-001

Regarding: Electronic Files

Witnesses: Bennett, Hansen, Thomas

- a. Please provide working electronic copies of all Exhibits with all supporting files and links intact.
- b. Please update any exhibits that contained estimated figures relating to the 2012-2013 tracker period with actual figures.

PSC-002

Regarding: Solicitations and Power Purchase Agreements

Witness: Markovich

- a. Please provide a copy of the competitive solicitation described in KJM-15:8-11, and copies of all power purchase agreements signed as a result of the solicitation.
- b. For each transaction listed in Exhibit_(FVB-2)13-14, p.3, rows 9, 17, 33, 41, and 42; please provide a copy of the power purchase agreement and, if applicable, the RFP or RFI from which it resulted.
- c. Please explain the purpose of the transactions displayed in rows 37-38 of Exhibit_(FVB-2)13-14, p.3.

PSC-003

Regarding: ACEEE Energy Efficiency Program Recognition

Witness: Thomas

- a. In April of 2013 NorthWestern announced that the American Council for an Energy-Efficient Economy (ACEEE) recognized NorthWestern's E+ Business Partners Program as an exemplary energy efficiency program. Please describe this recognition, specific recognized features of the program, and why ACEEE recognized these program features.
- b. Please describe how the recognized program features benefit ratepayers.
- c. Please describe how the recognized program compares with other NorthWestern energy efficiency programs regarding the exemplary qualities recognized by ACEEE.